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Title: Annotation Management in a Pen-Based Computing System

**REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This current Reply is responsive to a current and Non-final Office Action dated (mailed) 02/21/2006. In this current Office Action, claims 1-32 were examined, and claims 1-32 were rejected.

Claims 5 and 15 are canceled by this Reply. No new claims are added. Hence, claims 1-4, 6-14, and 16-32 are now presented for examination.